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- X 1. An application consisting of 16 pages of specification, including the claims and the Abstract of the Disclosure, and 1 sheet of drawings is attached.
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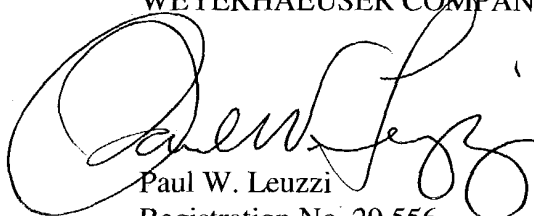
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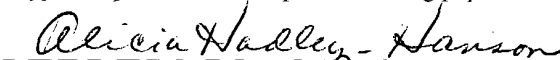
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